

## Coffee Culture Trivia: Questions, Answers, and Facts Printable Trivia Pack

Coffee Culture trivia explores how caf s, brewing traditions, and daily rituals shaped one of the world's most recognizable social beverages. From espresso bars in Italy to specialty coffee trends today, it offers a family-friendly mix of easy, funny, and challenging facts grounded in real cultural history.

### HARD COFFEE CULTURE TRIVIA

1. Who wrote the coffee history book *Uncommon Grounds*?

Answer: Mark Pendergrast

2. *Coffee Obsession* was written by which author?

Answer: Anette Moldvaer

3. Name the co-author of *God in a Cup* who wrote it alongside Brett Smith.?

Answer: Michael Weissman

4. Brett Smith shared authorship of *God in a Cup* with whom?

Answer: Michael Weissman

5. What widely used specialty coffee tool was developed by the Specialty Coffee Association of America together with World Coffee Research?

Answer: The specialty coffee flavor wheel

6. Which coffee variety shot to international fame after competition lots from Hacienda La Esmeralda in Panama drew attention?

Answer: Geisha

7. In coffee shorthand, what does COE stand for?

Answer: Cup of Excellence

8. When coffee professionals say SCA, what organization are they usually referring to?

Answer: Specialty Coffee Association

9. Which professional sensory certification is administered through the Coffee Quality Institute?

Answer: Q Grader

10. The coffee variety Bourbon gets its name from the island now known by what modern name?

Answer: Reunion

11. Which arabica variety is recognized as one of the oldest and most historically important?

Answer: Typica

12. In which processing method is fruit removed from the coffee seeds before drying begins?

Answer: Washed processing

13. If the seeds are dried inside the fruit before hulling, what processing style is being used?

Answer: Natural processing

14. Which processing approach leaves some sticky mucilage on the seed while it dries?

Answer: Honey processing

#### FUNNY COFFEE CULTURE TRIVIA

1. Which film title sounds like a diner order and was in fact directed by Jim Jarmusch?

Answer: Coffee and Cigarettes

2. If someone says, "I need a cup of joe," what long-standing American nickname for coffee are they using?

Answer: cup of joe

3. What do you add to a chai latte to turn it into a dirty chai?

Answer: Espresso

4. A breve latte breaks the milk rules in the richest possible way by using what instead of milk?

Answer: Steamed half-and-half

5. Which espresso shot keeps things short and intense by being more concentrated than a standard shot?

Answer: Ristretto

6. If your espresso seems to have taken the scenic route with more water than usual, what is it called?

Answer: Lungo

7. What Italian dessert says, "Why choose between coffee and ice cream when chaos allows both" by pouring espresso over ice cream or gelato?

Answer: Affogato

8. Which drink arrives wearing a whipped-cream hat on top of espresso?

Answer: Espresso con panna

9. If a caf<sup>h</sup> bomb<sup>h</sup> were introducing itself honestly, which two ingredients would it mention first?

Answer: Espresso and sweetened condensed milk

10. Which espresso drink often shows up with a slice of lemon like it has somewhere fancy to be?

Answer: Espresso romano

11. In coffee-shop superhero math, what do you call drip coffee with two shots of espresso?

Answer: Black eye

12. If two shots make a black eye, what is drip coffee with three shots of espresso called?

Answer: Dead eye

13. Which milk drink is often linked to the glass it is served in, specifically a Libbey Gibraltar glass?

Answer: Gibraltar

#### FUN COFFEE CULTURE TRIVIA

1. In what century did London coffeehouses really start buzzing as prominent social spots?

Answer: The 17th century.

2. What playful nickname did some English coffeehouses earn because a penny got you conversation and news?

Answer: Penny universities.

3. Which New York coffeehouse is linked to the origins of the New York Stock Exchange?

Answer: Tontine Coffee House.

4. Before it became a famous insurance market, what started out as a coffeehouse for merchants and insurers?

Answer: Lloyd's of London.

5. At a traditional Ethiopian coffee ceremony, what often happens to the beans right before brewing?

Answer: They are roasted just before brewing.

6. Which country is often mentioned as one of the world's top coffee drinkers per person?

Answer: Finland.

7. What sweet ingredient is often stirred into Vietnamese iced coffee?

Answer: Condensed milk.

8. The flat white became globally famous after originating in which region?

Answer: Australasia.

9. Which coffee movement puts a spotlight on sourcing, roasting, and brewing details?

Answer: Third-wave coffee.

10. If a bag says single-origin, what is it telling you about the beans?

Answer: They are marketed from one geographic source.

11. How are latte art patterns typically made on top of a drink?

Answer: By pouring steamed milk into espresso.

12. Which drink is basically a small espresso 'cut' with warm milk?

Answer: Cortado.

13. What is a caffè Americano commonly described as?

Answer: Espresso diluted with hot water.

#### COFFEE CULTURE FAMILY TRIVIA

1. Who patented a paper coffee filter in 1908?

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2. Which inventor created the Chemex coffeemaker?

Answer: Peter Schlumbohm invented the Chemex coffeemaker.

3. The AeroPress was invented by whom?

Answer: Alan Adler invented the AeroPress.

4. Which person is associated with the early commercialization of decaffeinated coffee?

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5. After World War II, who helped popularize modern high-pressure espresso machines?

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6. Who patented an early espresso machine in Turin in 1884?

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7. Which inventor improved espresso machine designs in the early 20th century?

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8. Who is credited with inventing soluble instant coffee in 1901?

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9. Which coffee figure built an influential coffee roaster manufacturing company in the United States?

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10. Which notable American made coffee grinders and roasters?

Answer: Jabez Burns was a notable American maker of coffee grinders and roasters.

11. Costa Rica is especially known for producing what kind of coffee?

Answer: Costa Rica is known for producing washed arabica coffee.

12. Jamaica Blue Mountain coffee comes from which mountains?

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#### EASY COFFEE CULTURE TRIVIA

1. Which country has long been the world's largest coffee producer?

Answer: Brazil

2. True or false: Arabica coffee generally has less caffeine than robusta.?

Answer: True

3. In espresso drinks, what Italian word means 'marked' or 'stained'?

Answer: Macchiato

4. What do you call a coffee made by combining beans from more than one source?

Answer: A blend

5. Which coffee style is traditionally prepared unfiltered?

Answer: Turkish coffee

6. If you order a café au lait, what is served with the coffee?

Answer: Hot milk

7. Which drink is classically made with whiskey, coffee, sugar, and cream?

Answer: Irish coffee

8. Need extra pep? What do you call a cup of drip coffee with a shot of espresso added?

Answer: A red eye

9. What is the name for steamed milk with very fine, glossy bubbles?

Answer: Microfoam

10. In what city did Starbucks open its first store in 1971?

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12. Who became a key executive associated with Starbucks after joining in the 1980s?

Answer: Howard Schultz

13. Blue Bottle Coffee was founded in which California city?

Answer: Oakland

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